केंद्रीय सचिवालय सेवा के अवर सचिव तथा उस सचिव स्तर के अधिकारी भारतीय सांख्यिकीय सेवा के संवर्ग प्रबन्ध के कार्य में सहयोग दे रहे हैं।

(ख) जी, हां।

आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजनावधि के दौरान कृषि उत्पादन को प्रोत्साहन देने के लिए प्रावधान

4094. **श्री विनोद शर्मा :** क्या **योजना और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के दौरान देश में कृषि उत्पादन को प्रोत्साहन देने के लिए प्रावधान किए हैं ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उक्त अवधि के दौरान कृषि उत्पादन को प्रोत्साहन देने के लिए कुल योजना परिव्यय की कितनी प्रतिशत धनराशि खर्च की जाएगी ; और

(ग) इस व्यय के परिणामस्वरूप आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के अंत तक देश में खाद्यान्नों का कुल कितना उत्पादन होगा ?

योजना और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री और गैर-पारम्परिक ऊर्जा स्रोत मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सुख राम) : (क) जी, हां।

(ख) आठवीं योजना (1992–97) के दौरान कृषि और संबंधित कार्यकलापों के लिए सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र परिव्यय की प्रतिशतता जिसमें सिंचाई तथा बाढ़ नियंत्रण शामिल हैं, कुल परिव्यय की तुलना में 12.67 प्रतिशत के रूप में दर्शायी गई है।

(ग) देश में आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के अंत तक खाद्यान्नों का उत्पादन 210 मिलियन टन तक होने का लक्ष्य रखा गया है।

Time taken for promotion of directly recruited ISS officers

4095. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) what is the average time which is taken for Directly Recruited Officers in most of the organised Group 'A' Services to attain the STS and JAG level;

(b) whether the same average time is also applicable in case of ISS Officers and whether the same has been followed;

(c) if not, what are the reasons for this discrimination; and

(d) whether Government would take steps to do away with this discrimination within a specific time, if so, the exact date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) to (d) In the Recruitment Rules relating to various Central Group 'A' Services, the eligibility period for promotion of a direct recruit to Senior Time Scale (STS) and Junior Administrative Grade (JAG) is normally prescribed as 4 years and 9 years respectively. However, the actual time for promotion to the STS and JAG depends on the availability of vacancies at the relevent time. According to the information collected, this period ranges between 8 to 27 yrs for promotion to JAG. As regards promotion to STS, the information is not centrally available. There are however, certain special factors relating to the TISS. The first batch of direct recruits to Grade IV of ISS appointed in 1968 were placed below the Initial Constitution/Maintenance Stage appointees in that Grade. Direct recruits to Grade IV between 1968 and 1980 (Examinations 1967 to 1979) were promoted to Grade III (STS) between 1974 and 1983. Then an important change took place. Implementing the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, dated 11.2.86, in Narendra Chandha's case, a

large number of *ad hoc* appointees were appointed to Grade IV and were given retrospective seniority from dates of continuous officiation. This led to the direct recruits being assigned later dates of senority in the revised Grade IV seniority list. As directed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court, the promotions to grade III made between 1974 and 1983 were also reviewed on he basis of the revised seniority list and a fresh promotion list was prepared. This resulted in the direct recruits, earlier promoted to grade III from certain dates, being either given later dates of promotion to Grade III or retained in the Grade IV seniority (but protected from reversion from Grade III etc. posts held by them). Further promotions were made to Grade III between 1986 and 1989 and to JAG between 1986 and 1988 on the basis of the revised Grade IV and Grade III seniority lists. But during the period September 1989 to April 1992, cases for regular promotion to Grade III and JAG could not be processed due to orders of the Hon'ble Central Administrative Tribunal, Delhi Bench and the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Pratap Narain's case. *Ad hoc* promotions to serving officers were allowed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in August 1991 and these have been made. From the aforesaid, it is clear that there is no discriminaton in case of ISS.

Common wage and subsidy policy

4096. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Development Council panel on austerity has recommended a common wage and subsidy policy for the Centre and States;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government in this regard;

(c) whether Government propose to evolve any policy for all States and the Centre; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) to (d) The National Development Council Committee on Austerity submitted their Report to the Chairman of the National Development Council. The recommendations of the Committeee are being examined.

Implications of missing targets

4097. SHRI E. BALANANDAN:
SHRI M. A. BABY:

Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 179 given in the Rajya Sabha on 20th July, 1992 and state:

(a) what are the reasons for missing targets in infrastructural sectors like petroleum, coal, fertilizer power and steel;

(b) whether missing targets have serious implications for the rest of the economy;

(c) whether Government have fixed responsibilities for this short fall; and

(d) if so, action taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) The target was missed only for Petroleum and Fertilizers in respect of which the reasons are as given below:

(i) Petroleum — Technical factors such as high Gas-to-oil Ratio and water cut problems.

(ii) Fertilizers — Poor performance of the units in the Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation (HFC) and the